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NEARLY A MILE OF NEW PAVING FOR CLOVIS SOON

At a special meeting of the city council Wednesday night ten blocks of new paving were ordered constructed in Clovis. This was done in answer to petition of the majority of property owners in the paving districts formed and the property owners are to pay for the paving of the street intersections.

The new order calls for the paving of Main Street from the Barry Hardware corner to the Santa Fe right-of-way south which will make Main street paved from the railway property up to and including the Court House block—eight blocks in all. The new order also calls for paving on Grand Avenue two blocks west to Connelly street and two blocks east to Gladding street, or the corner where the Baptist Church is located. Monroe avenue will be paved one block east and one block west from Main street. It has not been fully determined but likely the paving will be of brick as is that on North Main Street. This with the paving that has already been done, will give Clovis a mile of paved streets, and while it will be some cost to property owners, it will not only enhance the value of their holding but will also furnish much employment during the summer that will be a help to business conditions.

ALAMEDA ICE CREAM WORKS

W. I. Miles and S. P. Fuller have rented the meat market building west of Green's grocery and will open the Alameda Ice Cream Works there again next week. This is right next door to where their location was last year.

DEATH CLAIMS AGED WOMAN LAST SATURDAY

Mrs. Margaret Darr died last Saturday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. D. Fehling. The remains were interred at the Clovis Cemetery Sunday after the funeral service by Rev. J. T. Redmon of the Methodist Church, of which she had been a consistent member for more than forty years.

Mrs. Darr was 91 years old and was possibly the oldest person in Curry County. She had been practically an invalid for the past five years, but bore her suffering with Christian fortitude until death came to relieve her of earthly trials and pain.

SPECIAL ELECTION CALLED

Before adjournment, both houses passed H. B. 405, which will automatically call a special election on the third Tuesday in September of 1919, at which time the qualified voters will pass upon the amendments to the state constitution. These include the Ryan plan for a commission of three members to have charge of all state educational and penal institutions, the \$2,000,000 bond issue for roads, the provision that soldiers and sailors may vote even though absent from the state on duty, and a clause allowing the state legislature to make bond issues up to \$2,000,000 to meet federal road aid.

NEW MEXICO A COMING OIL STATE

Dallas, Texas, March 13.—The convention of oil geologists from all parts of the United States and from many foreign nations of the globe convened here Thursday morning and will adjourn Saturday night. A symposium of the North Texas oil field was the first jump into oil topics. Davis White, chief geologist of the United States geological survey, stated in the opening address that Europe is practically bare of oil, and that Texas, the wonder field of the world, was opened up in time to save the world from a crying need for oil.

He urges the development of the whole of Texas as much as possible and stated that New Mexico is the coming state, according to data which the United States geological staff has on file.

CLOVIS OAKLAND CO. NEW AUTO CONCERN

The Clovis Oakland Company is a new automobile concern that will do business in the Kilen Building on North Main Street. The company will have the agency for the Oakland Sedan Six and will be under the management of Chester Crain.

BUILDING NEW HOME

C. C. Callieott has commenced the erection of a modern home on North Pike Street between the McMillan boarding house and the residence of D. N. Croft. Mr. Callieott's new home will be constructed of interlocking tile.

AMERICAN VETERANS OF WAR TO ORGANIZE

Paris, Saturday, March 15.—Five hundred officers and enlisted men of the American Expeditionary Forces have taken the first action here toward the formation of an association of veterans of the world war similar to the Grand Army of the Republic. A caucus was called to design the machinery for a national convention in America next year and the election of delegates to the convention from the forces now in France.

Lieutenant Colonel Roosevelt is arranging for a caucus in the United States on April 12. The proceedings at the meeting here were opened by Major Eric Wood, who said that the organization would eventually include all men who served either at home or abroad. Lieutenant Colonel Bennett Clark, son of Champ Clark, was elected temporary chairman. It is understood that the American organization will be affiliated with similar British and French bodies.

BURK-EASTLAND TO BEGIN DRILLING SOON

C. C. Baker is at Burk-Eastland this week where he is looking after the interests of the Burk-Eastland Oil Co. Mr. Baker has wired back here that a well adjoining the Burk-Eastland holdings is down 1500 feet and that it has the same formation as some of the best wells in the field.

The Burk-Eastland Company has already let the contract for a derrick and the contract for actual drilling will in all probability be let by April 1st. When the well adjoining the company's holdings comes in, it will be a big boost for Burk-Eastland stock and it will no doubt be no longer sold at par.

The Burk-Eastland Company also has holdings in the Eastland field which are getting closer to actual production all the time.

Mrs. C. V. Steed is secretary of the Home Service Department of the Red Cross of Curry County and application for the money due discharged soldiers in Curry County can be made through her. Mrs. Steed will have regular office hours on Monday, Wednesday and Friday only from 2:00 to 4:00 p. m. Soldiers desiring to make application for their \$50 can see Mrs. Steed on the days named above at the C. V. Steed Undertaking parlor.

SHAW NOW AT CISCO

L. E. Shaw of Cisco, Texas, was here for several days this week looking after business. Mr. Shaw and D. R. Shupe are now in the laundry business at Cisco having moved their plant to that place recently from Deming, N. M.

Mr. Shaw has recently made some excellent privs out of the oil game in the Ranger field.

Remember I conduct sales any and all Saturdays, so bring along your stuff, anything you have to sell from country or in town. Sale conducted at main grounds on Grand Avenue. V. Tate, Auctioneer. 3-4-tfc

A BRIGHT FUTURE

Indications are that Dame Fortune is going to look with a smiling face on Clovis and Curry County this year and give us a most prosperous season. There is a good season in the ground and indications are that this will be an excellent crop year. Clovis is destined to have the greatest era of home building she has ever had in her history. Right now there are more than twenty-five new homes under construction with scores being contemplated to help fill the increasing demand here for places for folks to live. The city council has granted the petition of property owners asking for the construction of ten new blocks of city paving (nearly a mile of paving) which will be commenced just as soon as the machinery can be put in motion. And in addition to all this who knows but that a great oil field will be developed right near us when the test well is put down in the Taiban field. The Magic City is shaking off her village rags and is destined to make a little city if her present growth keeps up.

Fourth Legislature Adjourned Early Last Sunday Morning

Santa Fe, March 16.—The fourth legislature adjourned Sunday morning at 2 o'clock after a continuous session of both houses since 10 o'clock Saturday morning. The house by recessing and standing at ease did not enter the last legislative day until 11:30 Saturday night although the session was supposed to expire by limitation of law at noon Saturday. When the lawmakers adjourned sine die it was three minutes to 2 o'clock by official time, but was ten minutes to 12 Saturday morning by the clock in the house of representatives. The senate simply let its clock run and paid no attention to it.

The closing hours were marked in each house by usual fun and all sorts of freak resolutions and bills were introduced and speeches of humorous inclination were delivered.

In the senate near the close Lieutenant Governor Pankey was presented with a handsome silver tea set. Floor Leader Clark and Minority Leader Skoen both received loving cups from members of their party.

If there is any one thing which stands out more plainly than any other in the work of the legislature it was the plan of economy which was followed by the creation of a large number of new offices. The bulk of the appointments go to the governor.

Among the good jobs which will be available are the twenty-nine places for road superintendents, one in each county. This place pays \$2,500 a year and the house made a strong effort to place the appointment in the hands of county commissioners and adopted an amendment to that effect. The senate killed the amendment and again placed the appointments in the hands of the governor and sent it back to the house, where it was concurred in after more debate.

The place of gasoline inspector at \$1,800 a year for the purpose of collecting the new 2 per cent tax on motor propulsion fluid is another. There will be one inspector in each judicial district. Opponents of the measure figured out that the collection of the tax would cost the state 17 per cent of the total amount. Friends declared the figures were placed too high and argued that more money would be paid into the state treasury under that plan than the plan of the minority to have the tax collected by the sheriff.

The passage of the irrigation projects and the addition of many new clerkships in the various offices will operate to furnish many positions. Highly paid men are provided for on the permanent tax commission, health commission and more jobs are added to the personnel of the state prison force.

Among the measures passed are

some which will be of great importance in the future history of New Mexico. The passage of signing the bill creating the department of health is considered a forward step by all, although the provisions of the bill are criticized by some. The passage of the \$2,000,000 bond issue resolution, the issuance of which is to be voted on by the people, and other road measures for the purpose of taking advantage of the plans of the federal government to spend \$4,500,000 in this state, is considered by good road enthusiasts as the most important measure in that line ever passed in New Mexico.

Governor Larrazolo fared uncommonly well at the hands of the lawmakers. His program was a sweeping one and he saw it in the main go through. His educational bills were rewritten until some of them did not resemble the original measures but his ideas in the main were carried out. The compulsory study of Spanish failed to get written into the law, but a bill was passed which places Spanish in reach of every pupil in New Mexico and provides for teachers who must show their proficiency in the language. A bill providing for the employment of Spanish-speaking teachers in schools where the majority of the pupils are Spanish-speaking passed.

Another bill which was made law was the increase in salaries of teachers. The bill adds about \$10 a month to the pay of teachers and it is one of his favorites which met with little opposition.

The health department bill, tax commission and several reconstruction measures were part of the governor's program which were adopted. The chief executive did not get all he asked for, but at the close of the session leaders said that he probably obtained more than he expected.

We will pay you 18 cents per pound for your hens and 21 cents per pound for your turkeys. A. E. Austin & Son.

Forest Long has accepted a position as stenographer in the superintendent's office.

FIFTH LIBERTY LOAN

The Fifth Liberty Loan Campaign will begin on the 21st day of April. This will be known as the Victory Loan. S. A. Jones has been appointed chairman of the drive for this county by the Federal Reserve Bank. The quota for Curry has not yet been announced.

NEW MEXICO MAY GET THREE CENT R. R. FARE

RURAL TELEPHONES

County Agent Peterson says the farmers are taking an interest in the proposition of rural telephones and indications are that some definite plan will be worked out soon that will bring this modern convenience to the people living in the rural districts.

PETREE BACK WITH THE CITIZENS BANK

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Petree returned to Clovis this week from El Paso. Mr. Petree has received his discharge from the service and will again make Clovis his home, having accepted his old position as assistant cashier of the Citizens Bank.

\$50 BONUS FOR ALL SOLDIERS DISCHARGED

The following official notice concerning the \$50 bonus authorized to be paid discharged soldiers is sent out by the adjutant general's department at Austin with the request that it be given publicity:

Section 1406 of the revenue act approved February 24, 1919, authorizes the payment of a bonus of \$50 to officers, soldiers, field clerks and nurses of the army upon honorable separation from active service by discharge, resignation or otherwise. This bonus is not payable to the heirs or representatives of any deceased soldier.

Those who are discharged hereafter will receive this bonus on the same roll or voucher upon which they are paid their final pay.

Those who have been discharged and have received their final pay without the \$50 bonus, should write a letter to the zone finance officer, Lemon building, Washington, D. C., stating their services since April 6, 1917, the date of last discharge and their present address to which they desire their bonus checks to be sent and enclosing with this letter their discharge certificate or military order for discharge and when both were issued.

Upon the receipt by the zone finance officer, Washington, D. C., of this information and the soldier's discharge certificate, this officer will cause checks to be drawn and mailed to the claimants in the order in which their claims were received by him. The discharge certificate will be returned to the soldier with the check.

It is estimated that at least one million and a quarter persons have been discharged from the service who are entitled to the benefits of this act and while payments will be made as expeditiously as practicable, it will manifestly take considerable time to write and mail this many checks.

Those who desire may make application for the \$50.00 bonus money through the Home Service Department of the Red Cross. Mrs. C. V. Steed is secretary of this department and can furnish applicants with the necessary blanks to fill out in order to receive their bonus money.

ELKS ST. PATRICK'S DANCE A SUCCESS

The St. Patrick's dance at the Elks Home Monday night was a decided success. The music was fine and an exceptionally large crowd was present, everyone voting it a most enjoyable occasion.

LOOK OUT

Big Singing Convention at Bellview's new church the third Sunday in April, the 20th.

JNO. F. TAYLOR, Pres.
A. J. BELL, Vice Pres.

I treat all diseases and disorders of women. Dr. H. R. Gibson. 3-4-tfc

When in town get your dinner at Ogg & Ross' Restaurant. You always get your money's worth.

San Francisco, March 18.—Flat increase to 3 cents a mile of all passenger rates on and after April 1 was announced by the officers of the United States railroad administration here today. The increase was provided for in general order No. 28, issued June 10, last.

Rates in excess of 3 cents a mile will be decreased to the 3 cent limit on all lines under the jurisdiction of the administration, it was announced. All special and excursion rates will be discontinued.

It is assumed that the above ruling will apply to New Mexico, and that all passenger rates will be reduced to 3 cents a mile, effective April 1. The fare in this state has been 4 cents or better. The state corporation commission has been fighting for several years for lower passenger rates in New Mexico.

WOMAN'S SUFFRAGE AGAIN DEFEATED

Santa Fe, March 15.—Suffrage went down to defeat in a New Mexico legislature for the fourth time, the knockout blow being struck by the Republican machine of the lower house. Although forewarned by one of the party leaders that defeat of the suffrage bill would heap an irreparable sin upon the majority members, those members dealt the blow which put Susan Anthony down for the full count.

In the course of the warring aforementioned the majority leader stated that he "hoped if the Republican members voted the suffrage bill down, that the party would lose the next state election." Democratic members who voted solidly for the measure took the cue and assured the Republicans that the next state election would be lost by them anyway.

GOOD BUSINESS JUDGMENT

This week Uncle Henry Miller Miller closed a deal for a section of land north of town from Dennis Bros. for which he paid \$20,000. This is a fine place and nobody knows it better than Mr. Miller for he formerly owned it, having sold the place about a year ago for \$16,000. After selling the place Mr. Miller left Curry County, but found nothing he liked better than his old home place so returned and bought it back. This showed excellent business judgment on the part of Mr. Miller. Curry County land is valuable and when a man gets a place he likes it is a good business judgment to tie onto it.

BACK FROM OVERSEAS

Hoyt Temple, son of C. L. Temple of the Temple & Rodgers grocery, is one of the latest boys to get home from France. Hoyt volunteered the day he was eighteen years of age and has been on the firing line in France. He has been with the heavy artillery and thrilling experiences about the service, did not receive a wound. He has some thrilling experiences about the service. Mr. Temple arrived home last week, but has since been in bed with an attack of mumps.

Listen at the music while you eat at Ogg & Ross' Restaurant. 3-4-tfc

Corporal Lester Wolland, who has just returned from overseas and served in the 89th Division, is here for a visit at the home of W. E. Marsh.

NEW RATE ON LEGAL NOTICES

On and after this date all legal publications appearing in the News will be charged for at the new legal rate passed by the emergency clause attached. This rate provides for a charge of eight cents per line for first insertion and five cents per line for each subsequent insertion.